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| Status | | | | | | |
| 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on <u>25 October 2004</u> . | | | | | | |
| 2a) This action is FINAL . 2b) ⊠ This | is action is FINAL . 2b)⊠ This action is non-final. | | | | | |
| 3) Since this application is in condition for allowan | 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is | | | | | |
| closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213. | | | | | | |
| Disposition of Claims | | , | | | | |
| 4) Claim(s) 1-2 and 4-35 is/are pending in the application. 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration. 5) Claim(s) is/are allowed. 6) Claim(s) is/are rejected. 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) Claim(s) 1,2 and 4-35 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. | | | | | | |
| Application Papers | | | | | | |
| 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner. | | | | | | |
| | 10)☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a)☐ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner. | | | | | |
| Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a). | | | | | | |
| Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d). 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152. | | | | | | |
| Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 | | | | | | |
| 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received. | | | | | | |
| Attachment(s) | | | | | | |
| 1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) Interview Summary (PTO-413) | | | | | |
| 2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s)/Mail Date | Paper No(s)/Mail Da 5) Notice of Informal Pa 6) Other: | te atent Application (PTO-152) | | | | |

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1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

I. Claims 1-2 and 4-13, drawn to identifying remote client with

exclusively control privilege to control image sensing device and

identifying clients to which video information captured is transferred,

classified in class 713, subclass 2017.

II. Claims 14-35, drawn to reporting and extracting image information

stored on a storage device of a server, classified in class 348, subclass

154.

2. The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

Inventions Group I and Group II are related as subcombinations disclosed as

usable together in a single combination. The subcombinations are distinct from each

other if they are shown to be separately usable. In the instant case, invention Group I

has separate utility such as identifying remote client with exclusively control privilege to

control image sensing device and identifying clients to which video information captured

is transferred, and Group II has separate utility such as reporting and extracting image

information stored on a storage device of a server. See MPEP § 806.05(d).

3. The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

a. These inventions have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by

their different classification.

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b. The search required for one Group is not required for the other Groups

For the reasons above restriction for examination purposes as indicated is

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proper.

4. Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must

include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be

traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

5. Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected

invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one

or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim

remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by

a diligently-filed petition under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR

1.17(h).

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Le H Luu whose telephone number is 571-272-3884.

The examiner can normally be reached on 7:00am - 4:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Rupal Dharia can be reached on 571-272-3880. The fax phone number for

the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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February 22, 2005